FREE INSTRUCTIONS

crochet or knit earflap hat

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LION BRAND® WOOL-EASE® & WOOL-EASE® THICK & QUICK® EARFLAP HATS

INTERMEDIATE

SIZE
Child (Youth, Adult)
Finished circumference 19½ (21½, 23)"

MATERIALS
- LION BRAND Wool-Ease OR
- LION BRAND Wool-Ease Thick & Quick
  1 ball in color of your choice (shown in Wool-Ease Thick & Quick #145 Plum)

Wool-Ease
- Size 7 (4.5 mm) double-pointed knitting needles (knit only)
- Size H-8 (5 mm) crochet hook (knit and crochet)

Wool-Ease Thick & Quick
- Size 11 (8 mm) double-pointed knitting needles (dpns) (knit only)
- Size N-13 (9 mm) crochet hook (knit and crochet)

OR SIZES TO OBTAIN GAUGE

GAUGE
Wool-Ease
Knit 18 sts + 24 rows = 4" (10 cm) in Stockinette st (k every round).
Crochet 15 sts = 4" (10 cm) in single crochet
Wool-Ease Thick & Quick
Knit 9 sts + 12 rows = 4" (10 cm) in Stockinette St (k every round).
Crochet 9 sts = 4" (10 cm) in single crochet.
BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

NOTE
Numbers for Wool-Ease Thick & Quick version are in [ ].

KNIT VERSION

STITCH EXPLANATION
ssk (slip, slip, knit) Slip next 2 sts as if to knit, one at a time, to right needle; insert left needle into fronts of these 2 sts and k them tog.

Cast on 88 (96,104) [44 (48, 52)] sts, divide sts evenly across needles. Mark beg of rnd. Work 8 [4] rounds Garter St (k on RS, p on WS). Change to Stockinette St and work 0 (0, 2) [1 (1, 2)] rows even. Decrease 4 sts evenly spaced around – 84 (92, 100) [40 (44, 48)] sts. Work 4 rows even. Decrease 4 sts evenly spaced around – 80 (88, 96) [36 (40, 44)] sts. Work 3 rows even. Repeat last 4 rows 2 times more – 72 (80, 88) [32 (36, 40)] sts. Decrease 4 sts evenly spaced around – 68 (76, 84) [28 (32, 36)] sts. Work 2 [1] rows even. Repeat last 4 [2] rows one [2 (3, 4)] more time(s) – 64 (72, 80) [24] sts. Decrease 4 sts evenly spaced around – 60 (68, 76) [20] sts. Work 1 row even.
Wool-Ease version Repeat last 2 rows 6 (8, 10) times more – 36 sts. Decrease 4 sts evenly spaced around – 32 sts. Repeat last row 5 times more – 12 sts. Decrease 3 sts evenly spaced around – 9 sts.
Wool-Ease Thick & Quick version Repeat last row 2 times more –12 sts. Decrease 3 sts evenly spaced – 9 sts.

Both versions
Repeat last row once more – 6 sts. Cut yarn leaving a 12" tail. Pull tail through remaining sts.

EARFLAPS
With RS facing, pick up and knit 13 (15, 17) [7 (7, 9)] sts along cast-on edge.
Next row Ssk, k across. Repeat last row until 1 st rem. Fasten off. Skip 40 (43, 45) [18 (20, 20)] sts across front and repeat instructions above for 2nd earflap. With crochet hook, work 1 round of sc around entire edge.

TASSELS
Cut 6 [3] strands of yarn 15" long. Pull strands through point of earflap, meeting ends, tie overhand knot. Divide strands into 3 even groups and braid groups to desired length. Tie overhand knot. Trim ends.

TOP LOOP
With crochet hook make a 2" chain from starting tail, fasten securely to inside.

CROCHET VERSION
Leaving a 12" tail, ch 2. 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook, mark beg of rnd. Work 3 [2] rnds sc, increasing 3 sts evenly spaced each rnd – 15 [12] sts. **Wool-Ease version** Work 1 rnd increasing 5 sts evenly spaced – 20 sts. **Both versions** Work 9 (11, 12) [6 (7, 8)] rnds increasing 4 sts evenly spaced each rnd – 56 (64, 68) [36 (40, 44] sts. Work 1 rnd even. Work 1 rnd increasing 4 sts evenly spaced – 60 (68, 72) [40 (44, 48)] sts. Work 1 (2, 2) [2 (2, 3)] rnds even. Work 1 rnd increasing 4 sts evenly spaced – 64 (72, 76) [44 (48, 52)] sts. Work 2 (2, 3) [3 (4, 4)] rnds even.
Wool-Ease version Work 1 rnd increasing 4 sts evenly spaced – 68 (76, 80) sts.
Work 2 (3, 4) rnds even. Work 1 rnd increasing 6 sts evenly spaced – 74 (82, 86) sts. Work 4 rnds even. **Both versions** Do not break off yarn.

EARFLAPS
Work 11 (13, 13) [7 (7, 9)] sts; ch 1, turn. Skip 1, sc across to last st, ch 1, turn. Repeat last row until 1 st remains. Sc down side of earflap. Sc across 31 (32, 36) [18, (20, 20)] Front sts. Make second earflap. Sc down side of earflap and around entire edge. Join with slip st to beg sc. Fasten off. Make Tassels with 6 [3] strands of yarn and Top Loop as for knit version.

ABBREVIATIONS
beg = begin(ning)
ch = chain
k = knit
p = purl
rem = remain(s)(ing)
rnd(s) = round(s)
RS = right side
sc = single crochet
st(s) = stitch(es)
tog = together
WS = wrong side

Wool-Ease Thick & Quick (Article #640) comes in 6 oz/108 yd balls. Wool-Ease (Article #620) solid, heather, sprinkles, and twist colors come in 3 oz/197 yd balls; prints, frosts, and glitter/multi-colors come in 2½ oz/162 yd balls
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